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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PARM, ICRC, VN

SUBJECT: CONFERENCE OF THE LAW OF WAR (LOW): PRG INVITA-
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REF: TOKYO 2538

1. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY STEARNS TELEPHONED MINISTER
YAMAZAKI FEBRUARY 21 TO DISCUSS GOJ POSITION ON INVITATION
TO PRG. STEARNS SAID HE UNDERSTOOD GOJ INTENDED TO
ABSTAIN ON QUESTION OF FULL PRG PARTICIPATION, EXPRESSED
HOPE THAT GOJ WOULD REVIEW POSITION AND DECIDE TO VOTE
AGAINST. STEARNS NOTED THAT PRG WAS NOT INTERESTED IN
SUBSTANCE OF CONFERENCE AND WAS SEEKING TO USE THE
CONFERENCE AS A VEHICLE TO GAIN INTERNATIONAL RECOG-
NITION. STEARNS ADDED THAT WE BELIEVED PRG INTERESTED IN
BEING REPRESENTED ONLY AS A QTE GOVERNMENT UNQTE AND NOT
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AS A QTE LIBERATION MOVEMENT UNQTE. THEREFORE QUESTION OF

ACCORDING PRG SAME STATUS AS AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENT
DID NOT ARISE.

2. JAPANESE POSITION AS DESCRIBED REF TEL REPRESENTS
SOME GOJ MOVEMENT TOWARD U. S. POSITION ALTHOUGH GOJ
INTENT TO ABSTAIN ON GUINEA-BISSAU/PRG FULL PARTICIPATION
PACKAGE IS DISAPPOINTING. FURTHER, USDEL GENEVA HAS
REPORTED TO US BY TELEPHONE TODAY THAT GOJDEL, SENSITIVE

TO NEED FOR SOLIDARITY WITH MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES, MAY BE
SLIPPING BACK TO ABSTENTION POSITION ON SEPARATE VOTE ON
PRG FULL PARTICIPATION.

3. REQUEST YOU URGENTLY FOLLOW UP STEARNS' DEMARCHE AT
APPROPRIATELY HIGH LEVEL OF MFA. CASEY

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